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**PETITION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM
FOR THE BENEFIT OF PRIOR FILED NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION [37
CFR 1.78(a)(3)]**

The time period for claiming the benefit of a prior filed nonprovisional application to the above-identified continuation-in-part application has lapsed.

The time period for claiming the priority benefit is within the latter of four months from the actual filing date of the later-filed application or sixteen months from the filing date of the prior-filed nonprovisional application.

Prior Filed Nonprovisional Application:

SN: 10/390,254, Filing Date: 11 March 2003, Patent No.: 7,094,678 Patent Issue Date: 22 August 2006

**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS TO ACCEPT A CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF A PRIOR FILED
NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION TO THIS NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

A grantable petition requires the following items:

- (1) Petition Fee
- (2) Reference required by 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)
- (3) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

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1. Petition fee and payment

- ☒ Other than small entity – fee \$ 1370.00 (37 CFR 1.17(t))
- ☒ Please charge \$1370.00 to Deposit Account No. 14-0116. A duplicate of this paper is attached.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees necessary to effect this petition and/or deposit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0116.

2. Reference required by 37 CFR 1.78(a)(5)

- ☒ The following reference is submitted in an amendment:

This application is a continuation-in-part of prior filed application no. 10/390,254, patent no. 7,094,679, filed 11 March 2003 and issued 22 August 2006, which is incorporated by reference herein.

3. STATEMENT: The entire delay in claiming priority to the nonprovisional application from the filing date of the continuation-in-part application to the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(6) was unintentional.

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